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## Box Springs On Ramp to Northbound SR60/I-215 Freeway Set for a Two-week Closure

Motorists to use alternate on ramps to access freeway

**RIVERSIDE** – The California Department of Transportation, Caltrans, today announced the on ramp to the State Route 60/Interstate 215 Freeway from Box Springs/Fair Isle will be closed for two weeks beginning Wednesday, February 1 and ending on Thursday, February 16. The closure, which begins at 9 p.m., is necessary to make improvements in the gore area of the ramp. The gore area is the triangular point of the pavement where a freeway lane ends and a ramp meet.

Motorists who normally use the Box Springs/Fair Isle ramp are advised to use the following on ramps:

- Central Avenue to the northbound SR60/I-215
- Day Street to westbound SR60
- Eucalyptus Avenue to the northbound I-215

The Box Springs/Fair Isle Overcrossing will not be closed, just the northbound on ramp. Motorists are cautioned to allow an additional 45 minutes to their normal commute time to accommodate the closure.

Caltrans is in the midst of a \$317 million effort to improve the 60/91/215 freeway interchange area. The Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) are partners in this effort.

The three freeways that make up this overall improvement project and interchange are critical links between major Inland Empire communities in both Riverside and San Bernardino counties and serve the major flow of commuter and commercial traffic throughout the region. This interchange carried nearly 314,000 daily vehicles in 2003 and served more than 332,000 daily vehicles in 2004.

For project updates, call Caltrans directly at 1-866-60-91-215, or view the Web site at <a href="http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist8/6091215/schedule.htm">http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist8/6091215/schedule.htm</a>

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